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SUBJECT: DOMINICAN FUGITIVE CARLOS MOREL EXTRADITED TO THE  
U.S.

REF: 2006 STATE 71610

11. On February 16, 2007, U.S. Marshals returned Carlos Morel to the United States to stand trial for federal narcotics-related offenses in the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Florida, as detailed in indictment number 03-20613-CR-SEITZ, filed July 31, 2003. According to the indictment, Morel conspired to possess and distribute 60,000 tablets of MDMA (Ecstasy) that had been imported from Europe.

12. Following the proper issuance of a Dominican arrest warrant based on a May 12, 2006, U.S. Government request for extradition, Morel was apprehended February 9, 2007, by officers of the Dominican National Directorate for Drug Control's Fugitive Unit (DNCD). Morel made a knowing, voluntary, and intelligent waiver of his right to challenge the extradition before the Criminal Chamber of the Dominican Supreme Court. His extradition was properly confirmed by presidential decree.

13. The return of Morel marks the 4th Dominican-national fugitive returned through or in lieu of extradition proceedings during CY-2007 (the 13th for FY-2007).  
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